Decision No. 37152

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
ASBURY RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM, a corpo-)
ration, for authority to re-route its)
motor coach transportation service as)
a common carrier for compensation
over its Los Angeles-San Fernando
Divisions.

Application No. 26165

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BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

In the above entitled application Asbury Rapid Transit System, a corporation, requests the Commission to modify in minor respects its present route of operation between Los Angeles and San Fernando. Service would be discontinued over Victory Place and Empire Avenue between the intersection of Victory Place and Burbank Boulevard and the intersection of Empire Avenue and Lincoln Street. The portion of Victory Place to be abandoned is used for operation between Los Angeles and San Fernando and to and from the Lockheed Air Terminal detouring at the inter-'section of Victory Place and Empire Avenue over Empire Avenue to the Lockheed Air Terminal. Operations would be conducted over Burbank Boulevard and Broadway Street between the intersection of Victory Place and Burbank Boulevard and the intersection of Broadway Street and San Fernando Road, thence over San Fernando Road, applicant's present route of operation, to the intersection of San Fernando Road and Lincoln Street, thence over Lincoln Street to the intersection of Empire Avenue, continuing over applicant's present authorized route.

In support of the foregoing request, the application

states that the portion of applicant's route over Victory Place and Empire Avenue to be rerouted has been closed by order of the War Department to all public vehicles.

The other proposed rerouting involves discontinuance of operation over Sunset Boulevard and Castelar Street between the intersection of Sunset Boulevard and North Spring Street and the intersection of Castelar Street and Alpine Street. The proposed operation would be over North Spring Street and Alpine Street between the foregoing described intersections. In support of this proposed rerouting the application states that a boulevard stop must be made before entering Sunset Boulevard from Castelar Street, such stop being on a steep incline. The requirement to stop and start under heavy load factor on this steep incline causes clutch trouble on applicant's equipment.

The Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway Company have each informed the Commission in writing that they do not desire to protest the authorization of the reroutings requested. This is not a matter requiring a public hearing. In our opinion the authority should be granted.

The Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of Los Angeles has approved the proposed rerouting in Los Angeles.

ORDER

Good cause appearing,

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

(1) That Asbury Rapid Transit System, a corporation, is hereby authorized to discontinue operations over Victory Place and Empire Avenue between the intersection of Victory Place and

Burbank Boulevard and the intersection of Empire Avenue and Lincoln Street and in lieu thereof to operate over the following route:

> Beginning at the intersection of Victory Place and Burbank Boulevard, thence over Broadway Street, San Fernando Road and Lincoln Street to the intersection of Lincoln Street and Empire Avenue.

(2) That Asbury Rapid Transit System, a corporation, is hereby authorized to discontinue operations over Sunset Boulevard and Castelar Street between the intersection of Sunset Boulevard and North Spring Street (New High Street) and the intersection of Castelar Street and Alpine Street and in lieu thereof to operate over the following route:

Beginning at the intersection of Sunset Boulevard and North Spring Street, (New High Street) thence over North Spring Street (New High Street) and Alpine Street to the intersection of Castelar Street.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San James, California, this 27

*day of ______, 1944

COMMISSIONERS